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Applicant:	Theodore F. Vaida, *et al.*
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Title:	A FIELD PROGRAMMABLE NETWORK APPLICATION SPECIFIC INTEGRATED CIRCUIT AND A METHOD OF OPERATION THEREOF
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Examiner:	Due T. Duong

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Sir:

STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF APPLICANT INITIATED INTERVIEW IN ACCORDANCE WITH C.F.R. § 1.133(b)

Summarized below is the substanee of a telephone interview between Examiner Petranek and the under signed agent of reeord, held on April 20, 2006.

In the telephone interview, Examiner Duong and Mr. Ralston diseussed distinetions between the elaimed subjeet matter of the applieation and U.S. Patent No. 6,347,347 to Brown, *et al.* Speeifieally, the Examiner and Mr. Ralston diseussed whether Brown teaches "a programmable logie core having an array of dynamically eonfigurable arithmetic logie units" as elaimed in independent

Claims 1, 11, 21 and 31. The Examiner reiterated his assertion that Brown teaches this limitation in FIG. 2 and column 4, lines 36-47. Mr. Ralston disputed this conclusion, noting that Brown does not teach an arithmetic logic unit (ALU) in any form, and that one of ordinary skill in the art would not find a teaching of an ALU in the cited portions of Brown.

The Applicants request the Examiner to telephone the undersigned agent of record at (972) 480-8800 if such would further or expedite the prosecution of the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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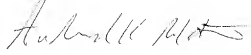

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